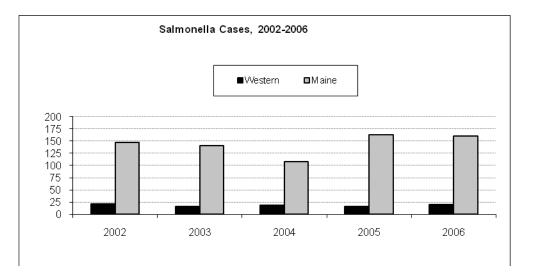
WESTERN DISTRICT: Infectious Diseases Salmonella

Salmonellosis is one of the most frequent foodborne illnesses reported in Maine and the US. While most people recover without treatment. The highest incidence occurs among children under five years of age; the elderly, infants, and those with impaired immune systems are more likely to have a severe illness and/or require hospitalization.

A *Healthy Maine 2010* objective is to decrease the incidence of salmonellosis. The Division of Infectious Disease tracks and monitors cases, provides education and technical assistance. In addition, Maine CDC's infectious disease field staff can provide technical assistance in tracking down the source of the salmonella.

See www.maine.gov/dhhs/boh/salmonella%20information.htm and www.cdc.gov/salmonella.



	Western District Number	Maine State Number
Salmonella Cases 2002	21	147
Salmonella Cases 2003	16	141
Salmonella Cases 2004	18	108
Salmonella Cases 2005	16	163
Salmonella Cases 2006	20	161

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